HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,
BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

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My Dear Mr. Carruthers,

I take pleasure in sending for your library at the Museum a copy of the new edition of "Gray's Manual". The territory covered is extended west of the Mississippi to the 100th Meridian, and the book therefore gives the flora for about a fourth part of the United States. Dr. Gray's principles are adhered to as closely as possible, and the nomenclature will accordingly not be found in accord with that of the Britton &

otherwise from the British Museum. In the course of your acquisitions from various regions do you not receive many duplicates which might be of value to us and which under your regulations we might be able to secure to our herbarium satisfactorily? I am especially desirous of having as full a representation as possible of Tropical & with American, Arctic, and Antarctic plants, and if we can help each other in this or other ways I am sure of your willingness. I shall be glad to hear from you regarding the possibility of some arrangement to this end.

With sincere regards I am

Yrs. very truly

Asa Gray

German schools of "reform".

I am expecting I shall soon have an assistant in my work here, so that I hope to be able to give my time mainly to the "Syn. Flora." Mr. Rydberg, is a young man of considerable ability and promise, who graduated at Harvard and has since been continuing his botanical studies in Germany. Mrs. Robinson will visit Europe on his way home, probably next month, and will visit your Herbarium. I should be glad to have time on the working of your establishment and become acquainted with you personally and with your practical assistants of your corps. Any attentions of this kind that you may be able to show him will be fully appreciated. I will thank you also to put him in the way of seeing the Linnean Herbarium by a note of introduction to its authorities or guardians.

There is some promise of an enlargement of our Herbarium fund so that we shall not be so cramped & restricted in available means for increasing our materials. I think that this Herbarium has never received much by exchange and